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The following is an outline of the structure and personnel of the East German State Central Administration for Statistics (Staatliche Verwaltung fuer Statistik):

1. Office of the Director (Amtsleiter)

a. Director (new)	Heinz Rauch	SED
(1) Secretary	Berkhahn (fnu) (female)	SED
b. Director (former)	Max Scholz	SED
(1) Secretary	Inge Thamm	SED
c. Deputy Director	Becker (fnu)	SED
(1) Secretary	Nadolny (fnu) (female)	no party affiliation

2. Main Department I (Coordination)

a. Chief	Herbert Michael	SED
b. <u>Department for Regional Coordination</u>		
(1) Chief	Tschoep (fnu)	SED
(2) <u>Referent</u>	Waldmann (fnu)	SED
(3) <u>Hauptsachbearbeiterin</u>	Richter (fnu) (female)	SED
c. <u>Department for Economy- Financial Accounting</u>		
(1) Chief	Martin Hentschel	SED
(2) <u>Hauptsachbearbeiterin</u>	Mielke (fnu) (female)	SED

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- d. Hauptreferat: Organization
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| (1) <u>Hauptreferent</u> | Ernst Canzler | SED |
| (2) <u>Oberreferentin</u> | Skorn (fnu) (female) | SED |
- e. Approval Department (Genehmigungsabteilung)
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|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| (1) Chief | Heinz Schoenborn | no party affiliation |
| (2) <u>Oberreferent</u> | Gerhard Paul | SED |
| (3) <u>Referentin</u> | Bischoff (fnu) (female) | SED |
| (4) <u>Referent</u> | Friedrich (fnu) | SED |
- f. Department for Coordination of Manpower Statistics
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| (1) Chief | Rudi Walther | SED |
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- g. Department for Coordination of Material Procurement
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| (1) Chief | Dieter Noak | SED |
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3. Main Department II (Industry and Handicraft)
- a. Chief
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| Heinz Georgy | SED |
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- b. Department for Machine Construction
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| (1) Chief | Erich Schmidt | SED |
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- c. Department for Heavy Industry and Mining
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| (1) <u>Oberreferent</u> | Mittmann (fnu) | SED |
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- d. Department for Handicraft Accounting (Handwerker-Abrechnungen)
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|-----------|-------------|----------------------|
| (1) Chief | Helga Reich | no party affiliation |
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- e. Other Departments (unidentified)
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|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| (1) Chief | Guenther Hartig | SED |
| (2) Chief | Freya Volkmann | SED |
| (3) <u>Hauptreferent</u> | Otto (Kurt?) Seele | SED |
| (4) <u>Oberreferent</u> | Rufin Knopp | SED |
| (5) <u>Referent</u> | Grossert (fnu) | no party affiliation |
| (6) <u>Referent</u> | Beibler (fnu) | SED |
4. Main Department III (Agriculture)
- a. Chief
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| Dr. Johanna Hess | SED |
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- b. Department for Nationalized Agriculture
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| (1) Chief | Clemenz (fnu) | SED |
| (2) <u>Hauptreferent</u> | Behnke (?) | SED |
- c. Department for Private Individual Farms
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| (1) Chief | Lersch (fnu) | CDU |
| (2) <u>Oberreferent</u> | Dr. Rehse (fnu) | no party affiliation |
| (3) <u>Hauptreferent</u> | von Braunschweig (fnu) | SED |

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5. Main Department IV (Traffic (Verkehr))

a. Chief	Schnick (fnu) (female)	SED
b. <u>Referentin</u>	Thiersch (fnu) (female)	SED
c. <u>Referent</u>	Heinz Weber	SED
d. <u>Hauptsachbearbeiter</u>	Althoff (fnu)	SED

6. Main Department V (Investments)

N.B. Effective 1 March 1955, this main department was dissolved and incorporated as a department under Main Department VII (Finances).

7. Main Department VI (Manpower (ArbeitsKraefte))

a. Chief	Thomm (fnu)	SED
b. Chief of a department	Hoyer (fnu)	SED
c. <u>Oberreferent</u>	Blasius (fnu)	SED
d. <u>Referent</u>	Kunze (fnu)	SED
e. <u>Hauptsachbearbeiterin</u>	Lindicke (fnu) (female)	SED
f. <u>Obersachbearbeiterin</u>	Gerda Luedt	SED
g. <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Dorothea Gayb	SED
h. <u>Hauptsachbearbeiterin</u>	Ursula Hinte	no party, affiliation, FDGB

8. Main Department VII (Finance)

a. Chief	Horst Frase	SED
b. <u>Department 1 (Currency and Consumer Prices)</u>		
(1) Chief	Horst Herr	SED
(2) <u>Hauptreferat</u> for Living Standards		
(a) <u>Referat: Workers' Households (Arbeiterhaushaltungen)</u>		
<u>Oberreferentin</u>	Jmgard Raake	SED
(b) <u>Referat: Pensioners' and Craftmen's Households</u>		
<u>Referent</u>	Gerhard Vathke	no party affiliation
(3) <u>Hauptreferat</u> for Agricultural Budget Accounting		
(a) <u>Former Referent</u>	Gustav Hobe	
(b) <u>Obersachbearbeiter</u>	Otto Schwarz	"
(c) <u>Sachbearbeiter</u>	Tiede (fnu)	"
(4) <u>Referat: Consumer Prices (Verbraucherpreise)</u>		
(a) <u>Referent</u>	Deka (fnu)	"
(b) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Plotka (fnu)	"
(5) <u>Referat: Private Currency Balance (Geldbilanz der Bevoelkerung)</u>		
(a) <u>Oberreferent</u>	Ziemer (fnu)	"
(6) <u>Hauptreferat: Central Evaluation and Complex Analysis</u>		

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(a) <u>Oberreferent</u>	Wolfgang Schmidt	no party affiliation
(b) <u>Referent</u>	Rohrlag (fnu)	SED
c. <u>Department 2 (Calculation of the VEW Financial Plan)</u>		
(1) <u>Chief</u>	Lore Riegraf	no party affiliation
(2) <u>Hauptreferent</u>	Striegan (fnu)	SED
(3) <u>Referent</u>	Karl Schreiber	no party affiliation
(4) <u>Hauptsachbearbeiter</u>	Heinz Minkischak	SED
(5) <u>Sachbearbeiter</u>	Hermann Siegmann	no party affiliation
(6) <u>Referat: Finance Plan - VEGs, MTS (W) , and MTS(S)²</u>		
(a) <u>Referent</u>	Huehnchen (fnu)	"
(b) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Helga Lach	"
(7) <u>Referat: Finance Plan Nationalized Trade (Volkseigener Handel)</u>		
(a) <u>Hauptsachbearbeiter</u>	Fichtner (fnu)	"
(8) <u>Referat: Finance Plan Nationalized Traffic (Volkseigener Verkehr)</u>		
(a) <u>Referent</u>	Erich Kath	"
(9) <u>Hauptreferat: Calculation of the State Budget</u>		
(a) <u>Hauptreferent</u>	Kurt Muehlhaus	SED
(b) <u>Obersachbearbeiterin</u>	Charlotte Richter	no party affiliation
(c) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Schroedter (fnu) (female)	"
d. <u>Secretaries of Main Department VII</u>		
(1) <u>Obersachbearbeiterin</u>	Klara Mittwoch	"
(2) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Paetzold (fnu) (female)	"
e. <u>Department 3 (Investments and General Repairs)</u>		
(1) <u>Chief</u>	Brathering (fnu)	"
(2) <u>Hauptreferent</u>	Muenckner (fnu)	"
(3) <u>Oberreferent</u>	Branzke (fnu)	"
(4) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Bonk (fnu) (female)	"
9. <u>Main Department VIII (Foreign Trade)</u>		
a. <u>Chief</u>	Hans Metzger	SED
b. <u>Hauptreferent</u>	Schreier (fnu)	SED
c. <u>Referent</u>	Willy Hiebler	SED
d. <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Frau Schulz (fnu)	SED
10. <u>Main Department IX (Material Procurement)</u>		
a. <u>Chief</u>	Hildegard Leier	SED
b. <u>Hauptsachbearbeiterin</u>	Hartig (fnu) (female)	SED
c. <u>Secretary</u>	Lies (fnu) (female)	no party affiliation

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11. Main Department X (Governmental Retail Prices)

a. Chief	Dr. Pfeiffer (fnu)	SED
b. <u>Referent</u>	Borchert (fnu)	no party affiliation

12. Main Department XI (Culture, Population)

a. Chief	Seidenwurm (fnu) (female)	SED
b. <u>Referent</u>	Kliem (fnu)	SED
c. <u>Referentin</u>	Gertrud Reimer	no party affiliation

13. Statistical Technical Department (Perforated Card System (Hollerith))

a. Department Chief	Kurt Dessau	SED
b. Department Chief	Herbert Huehne	SED
c. <u>Hauptreferent</u>	Guenther (fnu)	no party affiliation
d. <u>Oberreferent</u>	Albrecht (fnu)	no party affiliation
e. <u>Referent</u>	Friedrich (fnu)	SED

14. Central Department for Personnel

a. Chief	Willy Schroedter	?
b. <u>Referent</u>	Fritz Schulz	SED
c. <u>Referent</u>	Liese (fnu)	SED
d. <u>Referentin</u>	Inge Baatz	SED
e. Secretary	Curtius (fnu) (female)	no party affiliation

15. Central Department for Training

a. Chief	Werner Troike	SED
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16. Central Department for General Administration

a. Chief	Herbert Malze	SED
b. <u>Referent</u>	Gustav Breitfeld	SED
c. <u>Hauptreferat: Budget</u>		
(1) <u>Hauptreferent</u>	Gerstenberger (fnu)	SED
(2) <u>Referent</u>	Detloff (fnu)	no party affiliation
(3) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Kneisler (fnu) (female)	SED
(4) <u>Sachbearbeiterin</u>	Sitzlack (fnu) (female)	no party affiliation
d. Graphics Group (Graphische Gruppe)		
(1) Referent	Blaschey (fnu)	no party affiliation
(2) <u>Hauptsachbearbeiter</u>	Maurer (fnu)	no party affiliation
(3) <u>Obersachbearbeiter</u>	Ostheeren (fnu)	CDU
e. Printing Shop and Photograph Registry (Lichtbildstelle)		
(1) <u>Referent</u>		

17. Betriebs-Gewerkschaftsleitung (BGL)

a. Chairman

Hildegard Canzler

SED

FUNCTIONS

18. Direction and Control

The policy-making function is vested in the so-called Kollegium. This body is composed of all the chiefs of main departments, the full-time party secretary, and several department chiefs who are members of the party directorate. The fortnightly meetings of the Kollegium are occasionally held on Saturdays. These meetings are also attended by a representative of the Central Committee of the SED, and possibly by a member of the Russian embassy.

Sirotin (fnu), the Soviet adviser to the Director's Office, is often seen in the building. He offers proposals concerning individual projects and evaluations. All evaluations and analyses are turned over to the Soviet Embassy in Russian translation, before they are forwarded to other governmental agencies.

19. Fulfillment of Soviet Requirements

Many short-term Soviet requirements are presented by Sirotin for fulfillment by the agency. These requirements include special investigations into lowering of production costs and turnover quantity (Umschlagzahl), production at planned sales prices, production at factory sales prices (effective Abgabepreise), gross production, and similar statistics on certain key enterprises (Schwerpunktbetriebe) in the metallurgical and heavy industries. The Soviets also wanted statistics on living costs and living standards of the various social and economic categories of the population in comparison with West Germany and other capitalist nations. The material for comparison is taken mostly from the West German government's Wirtschaft und Statistik, from the statistical publications of other governments, and from the East German Economic Institute (largely clippings from the press).

20. The State Portfolio

The so-called State Portfolio (Staatsmappe), a compilation of the results of all studies made in the organization, is the principal work of Main Department I (Coordination). In this, the key numbers (Eckzahlen) are cumulatively set down (erfasst) and analyzed from time to time. In each main department and independent department an evaluation group is appointed to work closely with Department I. For instance, in Department VII, this function is performed by Schmidt and Rohrlag. One copy of the State Portfolio always remains in the organization. Other copies go back and forth between the organization and the High Commission, the Central Committee, the Council of Ministers, and the Presidium of the Minister Council.

21. Organizational Work

Main Department I is also charged with the coordination of the work of the Bezirk statistical offices and with the holding of statistical conferences, to which all the chiefs of the Bezirk offices are invited.

22. Industrial Reporting (Industrie-Meldung - IM)a. IM Reports

This is the principal function of Main Department II (Industry). IM reports are compilations of figures on gross production and net production quantities, broken down into plan groups and plan bearers. Totals are compiled according to Bezirke, and for the entire country. In 1954, results were also compiled for the area of each special ministry (Fachministerien), but this proved very difficult owing to differences in production and economic structure.

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The individual enterprises turn over their reports to the Kreis statistical offices, which work them up and transmit the results to the Bezirk offices. Here they are again combined and the results are passed on to the central office within three months of the original reports. Since the reporting intervals are too short for much actual statistical data to be accumulated by the enterprises, they presumably send in mostly estimates.

b. HQu (Handwerk-Quartal Berichterstattung) Reports

HQu reports consist of data on handicraft enterprises employing less than ten persons each. They are drawn up in similar fashion to the IM reports, except that they are made on a quarterly basis.

23. RBU Investigations

In 1953, investigations into the operating economy (Repräsentative betriebswirtschaftliche Untersuchungen--RBU) of individual farmers and of LPGs were instituted under the auspices of Main Administration III (Agriculture). Their object was to compare the marketed production of farmers in capitalistic economy with that in Socialist agriculture. The material was compiled on 150 or so charts. No analyses of this material were made, however, because the responsible functionaries (Lersch and Dr. Rehse among others) considered a one-shot investigation insufficient for definite deductions.

Plans were made to institute a second investigation beginning in May 1955. Preparatory work, form-sheets, and text for the Beirat of Ministers were finished by February. But serious financial difficulties intervened to prohibit an interrogation on such a large scale. Among other things, 50 instructors at a salary of 600 DME per month were needed for a period of 12 months. Planned costs totalled about 1,200,000 DME.

At the present time only monthly reports of changes (Veränderungsmeldungen) are made. They set forth the growth of the LPGs and the variations within the individual types.

24. Traffic Estimates

Estimates of planned performance of railroads, shipping, and trucking are prepared by Main Department IV (Traffic).

25. Investments

Reporting and calculations on investments are now made in the Investment Department of Main Administration VII (Finance). Under investments are also included the IM reporting on the construction industry, because construction is considered to be more closely allied to investments than to industry.

26. Manpower Estimates

Figures for the manpower plans of centrally administered industry and local industry are set down on Form AQu by Main Administration VI (Manpower). The same HV institutes the necessary research into labor productivity and allied problems, and works closely with the appropriate ministries and with the Labor Research Institute in Bad Schandau.

27. Financial Calculations for the Economic Plan

The calculation of the financial sections of the economic plan is done by Main Department VII (Finance). The responsibility for collecting the necessary basic reports from the eight categories of economic groups has been transferred to the pertinent ministries, so that, since January 1955, the Central Administration for Statistics merely handles the card-perforating (Hollerith) work, assembles the conclusions, and makes the desired analyses. Monthly analyses have been dropped; only quarterly analyses are now drawn up.

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Although regular reporting of figures by the various branches of the economy was instituted on 1 August 1951, and although the reporting process has been simplified in some respects, it is impossible to assemble complete figures for the whole of East Germany because a few reports still are outstanding from some of the branches.²

28. Research on Living Standards

Another function of Main Department VII is research on the living standards of the East German population. During 1954 interrogations were conducted on the family budgets of the following social categories:

a. Laborers

- (1) Two parents and one child
- (2) Two parents and two children
- (3) Two parents, no children

b. Artisans and craftsmen

c. People living on pensions (Rentner)

d. Farmers (May and November 1954)

- (1) Private farms of 1 to 10 hectares
- (2) Private farms of 10 to 20 hectares
- (3) Private farms of over 20 hectares
- (4) Members of LPGs (Type I)
- (5) Members of LPGs (Type III)

The results of the ¹⁹⁵⁴ May investigation were inconclusive, but the interrogation in November permits concrete deductions, which are still in the process of being perfected.

29. Calculations for the State Budget

A third function of Main Administration VII, the making of calculations for the State budget, has proved to be most difficult. Figures have to be obtained from the Ministry of Finance.

Comments:

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1. Volkseigene Wirtschaft.

2. The eight categories of economic groups are the following:

- FMI(Z) - zentral verwaltete Industrie - centrally controlled industry
- FMI(O) - oertliche verwaltete Industrie - locally controlled industry
- FMV(Z) - zentral verwalteter Verkehr - centrally controlled traffic
- FMV(O) - oertlicher verwalteter Verkehr - locally controlled traffic
- FMH - Volkseigener Handel - nationalized trade
- FML(MTS-S) - Maschinen-Traktoren Stationen - Stations; machine tractor stations
- FML(MTS-W) - Maschinen-Traktoren Stationen - Werkstaetten; MTS workshops
- FML(VEG) - Volkseigene Gueter - nationalized farms

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